

Jackson County Extension & Education Communication Committee



4-H June 16th- July 20th, 2020

4-H Highlights

In person meeting approval has arrived! There has been a large amount of interest in the program approval check sheet. This sheet goes over where the event will be held, the amount of youth and adults who will be there (the in-person limit is 10 but there are creating ways to hold a meeting well still meetings this limit), how the planner will be ensuring the attendees safety. These checklists are then sent back to me and submitted to Pat and my institute Director for approval. Having in person programming is a large task but we want to ensure that anyone who attends a 4-H or Extension program has low to minimal risk of getting sick. I look forward to seeing our clubs and groups getting together safely.

Volunteers Highlights

VIP Training:

I had one person from Jackson County attend the virtual VIP Training. It may not sound like a lot but considering I have been struggling to get volunteers to engage online this was a huge achievement. I plan to hold a in person one later this fall as the summer has flown by faster then I thought.

Charter Updates:

4-H Charters are our way of doing club taxes. There are a couple of updates this year for volunteers that I will have a training on in August. This will help our clubs and groups have less errors and that will help submissions. The changes include a simpler process for SMART Goal setting, submitting financials earlier as our fiscal year ends June-July, and requiring an audit of funds by three nonrelated people.

Key Meetings

- June 16th
 - Camp in a Bag meeting
- June 17th
 - Trempealeau County Extension Education and Communication Meeting
- June 19th
 - Camp in a Bag Meeting
- June 22nd
 - Fair and 4-H Livestock Q&A
 - Juntos Team Meeting
 - Trempealeau County Adult Leaders
- June 23rd
 - Charter Chat
 - Reginal Meeting
- June 24th
 - Covid Exchange
 - Follow up 4-H Program Meeting

- Virtual Livestock Meeting
- June 26th
 - Virtual VIP Training
- June 29th
 - Fair & Livestock Q&A
 - Project Leader Support Sub Committee
 - Club Leader Support Committee
- July 2nd
 - Area 9 Meeting
- July 6th
 - Furlough Day
- July 7th
 - Fair Q&A
 - Reginal Meeting
- July 8th
 - Post-Secondary Pathways
- July 9th
 - WI 4-H Zoom
 - Camp Counsilor Zoom
 - Return to the Office Zooms (both counties)
- July 13th
 - Project Leader Support Group
- July 15th
 - Covid Exchange
 - PYD Institute Commincations
- July 16th
 - Price County Meet up
 - Area 9 Meeting
 - Fair Q&A
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Jackson County FY21 Program Planning (October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021)

**Note: FoodWise can offer Nutrition Education in Schools that have a population of at least 50% Free and Reduced

Black River Falls School District:

Forrest Street Elementary: 65% (up from 62.4% in 2018/19 and up from 2017/18: 57.5%)

- Nutrition Education programming with 4K and Kindergarten, Family Cooking Program Events, and Harvest of the Month.

Red Creek Elementary: 64.08% (down from 2018/19 65.2% and up from 2017/18: 57.2%)

- Nutrition Education programming with 2nd Grade, and Family Cooking Program Events, and Harvest of the Month.

Middle School: 60.94% (up from 2018/19 57.9% and up from 2017/18: 50.7%)

- Not currently programming – (curriculum available: Teen Cuisine Cooking classes. There is a strong Family and Consumer Science program that offers food preparation skills and time and capacity of the FoodWise Coordinator limits events available)

High School: 49.8% (up from 46.6% in 2018/19 and 2017/18: 42.2%): Not eligible for programming

Alma Center, Humbird, Merrilan School District:

Lincoln Elementary: 59.3% (up from 58.6% in 2018/19 and up from 2017/18: 56.3%)

- Nutrition Education programming with 4K, Kindergarten, 2nd Grade, 5th Grade and Family Cooking Program Events, and Harvest of the Month.

Jr. High School: 51.04% (down from 60.9% in 2018/19 and up from 2017/18: 50.6%)

- Not currently programming – (curriculum available: Teen Cuisine Cooking classes. There is a strong Family and Consumer Science program that offers food preparation skills and time and capacity of the FoodWise Coordinator limits events available)

High School: 58.86% (up from 53.1% in 2018/19 and up from 2017/18: 46.9%)

- Not currently programming – curriculum choices are limited and there is a strong Family and Consumer Science program that offers food prep skills)

Melrose Mindoro School District: Not eligible for programming

Elementary: 45.3% (up from 43.6% in 2018/19 and 2017/18: 39%)

Middle and High School: 42.4% (Down from 42.5% in 2018/19 and down from 2017/18: 45.5%)

Jackson County Head Start Center: Black River Falls

- Nutrition Education programming with 4K and caregiver cooking program events

Jackson County Food Pantry: Nutrition Education lessons during food pantry hours

FoodWise Projects, Events & Professional Development - April Duval, Coordinator:

- FoodWise FY21 program planning: partner agreement forms completed including Covid 19 language for lesson flexibility. Submitted to FoodWise state office for approval and signatures
 - *“Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, FoodWise program delivery may be modified to follow organizational policies and guidance regarding safety of participants and staff. Alternative delivery methods, such as online/virtual lessons, will be discussed and agreed upon by the FoodWise Nutrition Coordinator and the (partner).”*
- FoodWise webinars and updates
- Kindergarten lesson plan reflections and updates
- State Harvest of the Month work group calls and tasks
- FoodWise professional development completed entered
- Dean’s Extension webinars and calls for supervisors and staff
- FoodWise evaluation: PEARS updates to reflect Covid 19 impacts on lessons and triple checked data that has been entered (Julie sent me data sheets)
- Extension Recording Results and PEARS Evaluation Success Story entered
- Calls with Nutrition Educator Sandy to discuss programming changes, updates, plans for telecommuting, check in on how she is doing, etc.
- Completed and uploaded weekly telecommuting work plans into the Jackson google drive folder: update weekly and submit. Extension telecommute plan entered and updated for July
- Extension website and Facebook page posts and updates on Food Security and Food Safety:
<https://jackson.extension.wisc.edu/nutrition-education/food-security-resources-in-jackson-county/>
<https://www.facebook.com/extension.jacksoncounty/>
<https://www.co.jackson.wi.us/>
- Solved Jackson Extension Chris Clover Facebook page mystery – able to add Andrea and Karla as administrators so they can now post on the Facebook page.

Note: Furlough day: unpaid day on June 2nd and used vacation hours during June

Health and Well-Being

Karla Gearing – June 2020 Highlights Report

(Weekly work hours were reduced and benefited time utilized during the first two weeks of June)

Outreach: Building New Connections and Enhancing Current Community Partnerships.

Coordinated Together for Jackson County Kids meeting on June 20th to formulate plan for programming virtually and explore parenting education programs. Much of the time for local needs was spent collecting and reporting data to DPI (Department of Public Instruction) in accordance with the AODA grant that is utilized for the Strengthening Families programs, QPR, and drug prevention we perform locally.

Jackson County Resilient and Trauma Informed Communities

Will pause meetings during the summer. Meetings will resume in August when there is a better idea of how the student community will be involved in educational programming and what needs the community may have in regards to supporting mental health.

Parenting Education Request from HCN Social Services

I was requested to provide stress management and parenting education for HCN tribal members identified by their social services who need educational programming while socially distanced in their homes. I am currently meeting with one participant on a weekly basis and piloting subject matter delivered virtually that meets the identified subject areas listed above. If program delivery is evaluated as beneficial I will look at offering this on a wider scale with Jackson Co. community members.

Business Partnership Advisory Team

Discussed delaying launch of program until there is a clearer picture of what impact Covid-19 will have on local businesses availability to safely mentor High School aged youth and what the school day will look like for the High School aged mentees.

Taking Care of You

Will be working with Jackson Co. DHHS – Children and Families Unit to provide 8 week course to relative caregivers and foster parents starting on July 14th. Planning, marketing, and ordering of reading material is being handled prior to classes starting. This will be a new curriculum offered in the state and will be monitored for effectiveness through pre and post evaluations and used to guide programming state-wide.

F2S

Applicant interviewed and offered position. This worker is communication with grant coordinator to take necessary steps during the hiring and preparation phase. Applicant is still considering the offer and has not officially accepted at this time.